number of slots that are bridged by each of the coils successively increasing within the coil group part.

Claim 2. (Twice Amended) A stator winding as claimed in claim 1, wherein the stator has a yoke and the cable produces a formation passing from a first one of said first slots to a second one of said slots, and upon returning to the first slot, the cable changes position to a next layer in a first direction until a number of positions in the slot have been filled, and said cable then passes to a nearest adjacent slot.

Claim 10. (Twice Amended) A rotating electric machine as claimed in claim 1, wherein the winding comprises at least one current-carrying conductor, a first layer having semi-conducting properties around the conductor, an insulating layer around the first layer, and a second layer having semi-conducting properties around the insulating layer.

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Official Action of September 14, 2000, in which the Examiner objected to certain informalities in the claims. A typographical error is corrected in Claim 1. Claim 2 has been amended in order to delete the objectionable language. Claim 10 has been amended to be dependent on claim 1

Claims 1,3 and 6 are rejected as unpatentable over <u>Shildneck</u> in view of <u>Siemens</u> the U.K. specification. According to the Examiner, <u>Shildneck</u> discloses the invention except for having a stator with radial slots, the slots increasing in diameter. <u>Shildneck</u> allegedly shows an improved